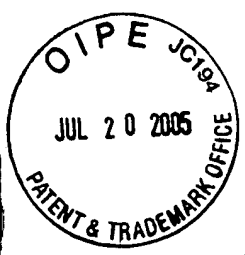


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Sir:

This Information Disclosure Statement supplements the Information Disclosure Statement already on file for this case by providing additional art that may be material to the prosecution of this application that has come to the attention of the applicants by receipt of the European Supplemental Search Report. A copy of the European Supplemental Search Report that shows on its face having been mailed by the European Patent Office on 6 June 2005 is enclosed. That report is therefore being supplied within three months of its receipt.

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97, a list with that Supplemental Search document and the lone piece of art not already in this record that may be material to the examination of this application from the Search Report is provided on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the Supplemental Search and the lone piece of art are enclosed herewith, respectively.

No inferences should be drawn that the attached list represents a comprehensive investigation, or that any material disclosed is equivalent to the subject invention. In addition, none of the documents that have publication dates prior to the priority date of the above application anticipate the invention in this application.

The cited documents disclose numerous specific features. There has been no attempt to list each and every feature disclosed by each document. The Examiner is requested to review the documents and determine the extent of the materiality of the document disclosures with respect to the present invention.

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Also, there is reserved the right to later set forth how the instant invention is distinguished over the disclosure of any document or other art, including the disclosures of the art and documents recited herein, that may be cited by the Examiner in rejecting a claim in the instant patent application.

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No further fee or petition is believed to be necessary. However, should any further fee be needed, please charge our Deposit Account No. 23-0920, and deem this paper to be the required petition.

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Respectfully submitted,

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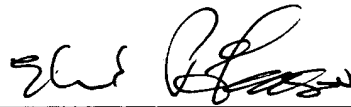
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